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DTSC Certifies The Crossings Site In San Bruno

Berkeley - - The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) today certified the completion of a hazardous substances cleanup at The Crossings Site located at 900 Commodore Drive in the City of San Bruno. Under the DTSC certification, the entire 20-acre site is approved for "unrestricted" future land use, which allows uses ranging from single-family homes, to commercial or industrial development.

"Money invested in the cleanup of this property is money well spent in facilitating redevelopment of the area and putting it to productive use, while ensuring protection of public health and the environment," said DTSC Director Ed Lowry.

Prior to 1900, the entire San Bruno area was a cattle ranch. The site was purchased by the United States Navy in 1943 and was used for administrative and engineering offices, record storage, and personnel processing until the site was decommissioned in 2000. TMG Partners purchased the site in 2001 and entered into a Voluntary Cleanup Agreement with DTSC in 2001 to perform environmental cleanup activities.

Site investigation revealed that lead, chlordane and dieldrin contaminated the soil. The underlying groundwater was not impacted. Approximately 3,000 cubic yards of contaminated soil was removed and disposed of at permitted off-site disposal facilities as part of the cleanup. Excavated areas were backfilled with clean soil and confirmation sampling indicated that all DTSC cleanup goals were met.

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The Department of Toxic Substances Control's mission is to restore, protect, and enhance the environment and ensure public health, environmental quality and economic vitality by regulating hazardous waste, conducting and overseeing cleanups, and developing and promoting pollution prevention.

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